

Natural Resources

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Forest Fires

The natural resources intelligence of the department of the interior at Ottawa says:

in the province of Quebec the past reports say that only 22,000 acres of forest land was burned over. In but one-tenth of what was burned over in 1934. The fact that even the fire area was so much smaller than usual is surely matter for congratulation and speaks well for the protective associations responsible, although they were favored by weather that was not conducive to fast fires.

Even 22,000 acres of forest land is a large area, when compared with all other land. If 250 farmers were to burn their entire crops in one year from his 100-acre farm, there would be no congratulation, although the farmer could look forward to another crop next year, while it will be years before a crop, even of pulpwood, can be taken from the burned area.

In this loss of timber means to the country can hardly be estimated. In the first place, it would require labor to get it, to haul it to the mill or to the floating to the mill, to measure it into lumber or woodpiles, a succession of operations until finally reached a finished form. To this labor to live, food products necessary, and here the agricultural interests enter into the output of products, and, finally every line of business, directly or indirectly, into the relation of our forests. Whether areas burned over by forest fires great or small, they represent one of the costs of doing business which

figuring on the value of her na-

Explained the Mystery
Girl in Toronto School Had Her

very small young lady at school
Toronto saw her companion de-
spending money in The Penny Bank,
resolved to do likewise. She
bought a battered nickel to the

She was duly credited with the amount. When the books of that month were made up at the head office a few days later a shortage of five dollars appeared. The teacher was not in the usual course, if she could not find the cause. She searched her desk without avail. She inquired of the auditor if any money had been

...ing day came again. The
men, as usual, brought in their

She put down a five-cent piece
represented her book.

something like the "battered
you gave me last week."
is the same one. I kept it to
again."
here did you get it, child?" was
surprised query

look it back last time when you
done with it."

The teacher explained that the
y was given to the bank to keep
er, so that it would not be lost—
the five-cent shortage was no

Some's Beggars Are Wealthy

Have Amassed Fortunes

Police have found that many of the poorest and most pathetic-looking street beggars in Rome are some of the city's most opulent citizens behind the walls of their homes. One of these aged mendicants was arrested and his pockets shown to contain about \$30 as one day's reward. Another beggar was found to

proprietor of dwelling house,
or an owner of a livery stable
boasted several horses and car-
riage, a third was a professional
syndicator of usurious rates, and a
fourth was a frequenter of one of the

are Sanesi, palsted and misc-
dressed in tatters, died suddenly
be street of heart failure. His
was gathered up unceremon-
by carabinieri and buried in the
cemetery for the destitute. It
later learned that Sanesi was a
ber of one of the most noble of

Canadian Envoy At Washington
Canada should have an ambassador
Washington," declared A. R. Mc-

... K.C., and ex-M.P. for Brown, address at Montreal. He sub-
d this conviction as his first and
gest impression gathered at the
t Interparliamentary Union Con-
in Washington, which he attend-

Predicts New Industry For West
 nation of a new industry in West-
 Canada covering a product which

w Imported into this country to
value of some five million dollars
ally, is foreshadowed by the sam-
of hemp now on display at the
sor Station, Montreal, according
G. Oomenan, development m-

